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For : IMAGE READING APPARATUS, COMPOSITE APPARATUS
USING THE IMAGE READING APPARATUS, AND
CONTROL APPARATUS AND METHOD FOR THE IMAGE
READING APPARATUS

PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT AND SUBMISSION UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.114

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Sir:

This paper is being filed along with a Request for Continued Examination.

A final Office Action dated March 7, 2006 is pending. This paper is set forth as follows:

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims, which begin on
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